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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicant hereby notifies the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office of the documents which are listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 and/or listed herein and which the Examiner may deem material to patentability of the claims of the above-identified application.

One copy of each of the listed documents is submitted herewith.

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In compliance with the concise explanation requirement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(3) for foreign language documents, Applicant submits the following explanations:

Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. 11-59985 is disclosed on page 1 in the specification of the above-identified application.

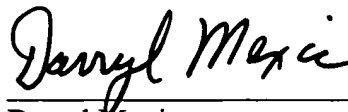
Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. 60-112562 is disclosed on page 2 in the specification of the above-identified application.

Japanese Patent Publication No. 57-40052 is disclosed on page 3 in the specification of the above-identified application corresponds to English Language Abstract No. 55040196 submitted herewith.

Japanese Utility Model Publication No. 48-38149 is disclosed on page 3 of the above-identified application with English translation of pertinent portion thereof submitted herewith.

The submission of the listed documents is not intended as an admission that any such document constitutes prior art against the claims of the present application. Applicant does not waive any right to take any action that would be appropriate to antedate or otherwise remove any listed document as a competent reference against the claims of the present application.

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